

Recently we've seen a "crack down" by the FCC on "objectionable" content aired on public airways. (ie: the '04 Super bowl Halftime Show, reality tv shows) I would surely hope that the FCC is prepared to enforce it's laws in an unbiased fashion, and punish Sinclair Broadcasting should they choose to break the law by airing politically one sided propaganda days before a Federal Election.

Sinclair Broadcast Group's recent actions have illustrated the dangers to localism caused by media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned

postcard. Thank you.